GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:22
ANSWERED ON:20.11.2002
ASIAN GAMES
DINESH CHANDRA YADAV;KAMBALAPADU E. KRISHNAMURTHY

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Indian players tested positive in dope test which resulted in losing their medals in the recently concluded Asian Games held in Busan as reported in the Hindu dated October 20, 2002;

(b) if so, the details and the facts thereof;

(c) whether the sports personnel participating in international events are tested for banned drugs before such events;

(d) if so, at what stage;

(e) whether any inquiry has been conducted by the Government in this regard and if so, the outcome thereof; and

(f) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard so that such incidents do not recur in future?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIKRAM VERMA)

(a) to (f) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.22 ASKE HON`BLE MEMBERS, SHRI K.E. KRISHNAMURTHY AND SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV REGARDING ASIAN GAME REPLY ON 20.11.2002

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir, Sushree Sunita Rani, Athlete, tested positive for use of `Nandrolone`, a prohibited substance during Busan Asian Games-2002.

(c) & (d) : All the sportspersons, cleared for Busan Asian Games by the Government, had been tested for dope before leaving for Busan. Sushree Sunita Rani had tested negative in the dope test.

(e) & (f) : The Sports Authority of India (SAI) have instituted a One Man Inquiry Committee into the matter. Report of the Committee, set up by SAI,is awaited.Apart from this, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has also set up a high level committee under the Chairmanship of the former Secretary in the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Shri S.S. Sharma. The Committee is to give its report in three months. Further corrective measures will be considered after receipt of the recommendations of this Committee so as to avoid recurrence of such incidents, in future.